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APD Progress Report on Masonry Drilling

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I. Wall Drilling

A. Dismond Core Drills

- 1. APD representative contacted National Bureau of Standards, Industrial Division, Mineral Products Laboratory.
 - a. NBS demonstrated diamond core drilling in concrete.
- 2. APD informed Engineering Division of NBS contact and passed information on dismond core drills to ED for their pipe pusher project at

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B. Ultra Sonic Drilling

- 1. APD presented problem to NBS.
 - a. NBS's opinion was that ultra sonic drilling in non-homogenous material was not too feasible and very inefficient.
 - b. APD possesses a report of a study of ultra sonic drilling made by Wilhem Lehfeldt, a German, which substantiates NBS's opinion.
- C. Hi-Temperature Heating
 - 1. APD obtained a report prepared at for ONR on the use of hi-temperature torches for drilling. The report wasn't promising, but was called to the attention of CD.

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D. Composite head tool

1. Mr. Wildhack, Office of Basic Instrumentation, NBS, has proposed a composite head-burning, quenching, drilling tool. NBS is very interested in such a device. This information has been given to CD and direct contact between CD and OBI will be set up.

E. Ultra Sonic Drilling Proposal

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has submitted a proposal for the evaluation of noiseless drilling methods and the development of the most promising method.

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proposes to:

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- (1) Examine all possible solutions
- (2) Test to determine best method
- (3) Develop and deliver a useable piece of field equipment
- b. Proposal will be submitted to Masonry Drilling Panel on its 3 August meeting.

II. Wall Measurement Gauges

- A. Ultra sonic thickness gauge
 - 1. Mr. Wildhack, OBI, NBS, is doing an informal 3-4 months' study on ultra sonic thickness gauges. His conclusions will contain the feasibility of using ultra sonic gauges, types of equipment, and where equipment can be procured.
- B. Neutron Backscattering Gauge
 - 1. Mr. Wildhack, CBI, NBS, has information on a neutron backscattering device for wall measurements. This device, using a miniature Van der Graef generator for power, is said to be more efficient than the radium beryllium type. Information on the neutron backscattering device will be given to CD.

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